

The Daily Courant.

Saturday, April 27. 1706.

From the Camp before Alcantara, April 14th N.S.

THE 22d of March the English Regiments at Estremos, viz. Brigadier Blood's, Lieutenant General Stewart's, and Colonel Wade's, took the Field, and encamp'd without the Walls: My Lord Portmore's and Brigadier Brudenell's march'd the 23d from their Garrisons; and they met all with Major General Harvey's Horse, the Dutch, and a great many Portuguese Regiments Foot and Horse at Fonte Sapatino, 4 Leagues from Estremos, and about 2 Leagues from Elvas. The 25th they march'd to the Cajo, a River about a League and an half from Elvas, and the same distance from Campo Major; there they staid till the 31st, the Army still augmenting by the Portuguese Forces coming in daily, and waiting for the Baggage and Artillery coming up. The 31st they march'd to St. Salvadore Camp, upon the River Chevera, and the 1st of April, N. S. pass'd that River upon Pontons, and came to a Place call'd Nostra Señora de Carillon, about half a League from Albuquerque. The 2d they march'd to Mayorga, a little Castle beyond Albuquerque about 2 Leagues, where there were some Portuguese Regiments (with about 10 or 12 Battering Guns that had come from Aronches) encamp'd. The 3d they march'd to St. Vincente, and the 4th came to Mombrillo, a Village near the River Solore, in the Passage of which there were great Difficulties, not only from the River, which is pretty large, and passable but in few Places, but likewise from the Roads on both sides, being Hills almost inaccessible. At Mombrillo all the Army halted the 5th, and the 6th the first Line with some Field-Pieces pass'd the River, but the second encamp'd on the other side. The 7th the first Line continu'd their March as far as Asbrocos, an open Town but pretty large, and my Lord Gallway with them: When they came to the Town they had notice that the Duke of Berwick with about 4000 Horse and some Foot had been there a few Hours before, so all the Horse and some Regiments of Foot follow'd and came up that Evening with the Rear of the Enemy: They took a Major General and some other Officers with about 40 more Prisoners, kill'd several, &c. The second Line pass'd the River the same Day and halted the 8th and 9th for the heavy Baggage and Artillery's getting over the River and Pass; in the mean time my Lord advanc'd with the Front Line to Alcantara, and the 9th and 10th took some advanc'd Posts, where we had Captain Brisbane of Colonel Wade's Regiment kill'd, Colonel Wade and Colonel d'Harcourt wounded, Captain Russell and Captain Tilbourg and several other Officers wounded of Brigadier Blood's Regiment. The 10th the second Line came up with all the Artillery, and the 11th was employ'd in raising Batterys, viz. One of about 10 Battering Pieces and 3 Field Pieces, another of 12 more great and small. The 12th in the Morning they play'd very briskly, and continu'd all Day and all Night, with 5 or 6 Mortars throwing Bombs. The 13th the Town beat a Parley, but my Lord Gallway would give no other Conditions than that the Garrison should be Prisoners of War. It consisted of 10 Regiments of Foot the best Troops in Spain, all old Forces, new Cloath'd, and well Officer'd. This Treaty broke off, so they continued to Fire all yesterday and all last Night till this Morning about 10 a Clock that the Breach

being pretty large, my Lord sent a Summons to the Governour, and at last there is a Treaty agreed on, of which I know not as yet the Particulars. Collonel Monclair of the Train was kill'd the 12th, but we have not lost above 50 or 60 English kill'd or wounded, among the former is Captain Barker of Lieutenant General Stewart's Regiment. Our Army is about 36 Battallions and 46 Squadrons strong, our Carriage in good order, and plenty of every thing in the Camp; which is in a great measure owing to the Indefatigable Care and good Conduct of my Lord Gallway.

London, April 27.

Yesterday arriv'd the Mail from Holland of Tuesday last; with the following Advices.

From the Paris Gazette, dated May 1.

Madrid, April 16. Our Advices from Catalonia come irregularly, the Couriers being oblig'd to go a great Way about. We have only heard that the King arriv'd before Barcelona the 2d of this Month, that his Army and the Troops that came from Roussillon joyn'd before the Place, and that Fort Montjoui was begun to be attack'd. They write from Saragossa, that Prince Henry of Darmstadt march'd out of Lerida with 6 Pieces of Cannon and all the Miquelets that were in that Town, in which but 200 English were left and a like Number of Soldiers of the new rais'd Catalanian Regiments: These Letters add, that when that Prince was arriv'd at Tarraga, the English mutined upon his declaring that he design'd to throw himself into Barcelona, whither the Archduke had sent for him, and refus'd to go any further than Tarragona. We know not in what manner this Contest ended, we are only inform'd that the 7th he was still between Tarraga and Cervera. From Valencia 'tis advis'd, that the Count de las Torres had fortified his Camp and streighten'd the Enemy as much as possible: The City of Valencia suffering extremely, the Earl of Peterborough drew together all his Troops and the Militia of the neighbouring Posts, and advanc'd to fall upon some Quarter of the Count de las Torres's Camp, but found it so well intrench'd, and the Troops dispos'd in so good Order, that he retir'd without attempting any thing. The Enemy are Masters of Segorbe. The Report spread here last Week that a Squadron had been seen to pass the Straits, proves false. Yesterday we receiv'd several Advices, that my Lord Peterborough is march'd out of Valencia, with what Troops he could draw together, to endeavour to get into Barcelona.

From the Leid. and Antw. Courants, May 4 and 5.

From the Camp before Barcelona, April 20. The 17th Instant, M. de Lapara Lieutenant General, going with 8 Ingeniers to view an advanc'd Work of Fort Montjoui, receiv'd a Musquet-shot in the lower part of the Belly, of which he died 2 Hours after: He is much lamented because of his great Capacity, but blam'd for not taking the Advice of the other Generals not to expose himself too far unnecessarily. M. de Villars, Brigadier, a Man of great military Experience, and much esteem'd by the King of Spain, succeeds him as principal Ingenier: He serv'd in Landau, under M. de Melac. The same Day in the Afternoon our Men carried the Covert-Way of Fort Montjoui, and lodg'd themselves on the Angle of it: The 18th a Battery of 6 Guns rais'd on that Angle began to play, and has already made so wide a Breach in the Wall, that we hope to be Masters of it by the 23d. The City of Barcelona suffers much by the Bombs and burning

ing Bullets that are thrown into it from Sea and Land; King Charles continues in it, but is forc'd to change his Lodgings frequently by the Fires caus'd by the Bombardment. The Enemy have from their Bulwarks wounded 12 of our Officers; and we have blown up one of their Magazines of Powder, with the Loss of 150 of our Men. The Count de Toulouse comes ashore every Evening to visit King Philip.

From the Amsterdam Courant, dated May 4.

Paris, April 27. Advice is come to Court, that the Portugeze have taken Alcantara, making 10 Battallions in it Prisoners of War; and that they design to advance directly from thence to Madrid. The King is much displeas'd at the Duke of Berwick's putting so many Men into so weak a Place. The Armies of the Marshals de Villars and Marfin, will both begin to act the 30th Instant. The Siege of Turin has of late been deem'd impracticable; and whether the Duke of Vendome's late Success against the Imperialists at Calcinato will encourage our Court to order it now to be undertaken, is yet uncertain.

From the Antwerp Courant, dated May 4.

Paris, April 30. The 28th M. de Conches arriv'd at Court, with a Confirmation of the Victory obtain'd over the Germans at Calcinato the 19th Instant. In that Action above 3000 of the Imperialists were kill'd, and as many taken Prisoners; together with 6 Pieces of Cannon, much Baggage, above 1000 Horses, 24 Colours, and 12 Standards; with no more Loss of the King's Troops than of 500 Men kill'd or wounded. The Duke of Vendome was to march the 22d towards Salo, where he hop'd to arrive the 24th, to endeavour to make himself Master of it, drive the Imperialists out of the Bressan, and make them repass the Mountains.

From the Paris Letter, dated April 30.

Paris, April 30. The 27th Instant, a Courier dispatch'd from Madrid by M. Amelot Ambassador of France, brought the News, That on the Approach of the Enemy to Alcantara, the Governour of that Place caus'd his Garrison to lay down their Arms, not firing one Shot, tho' he might have made a long Resistance by breaking down one of the Arches of the Bridge. That Garrison consisted of 6 Battallions of Spaniards and 3 of French, which the Duke of Berwick had put into the Place a few Days before. We are concern'd only for the Loss of the 3 French Battallions, the rest being but Militia; as for the Place, it was open and defenceless.

By the Sincerity of the preceeding Paragraph, we may judge of the Truth of the following, which is taken from the same Letter.

Private Letters from Madrid confirm, that the Earl of Peterborough, upon repeated Intreaties from the Archduke to attempt the Relief of Barcelona cost what it would, resolv'd at last to march out of Valencia with about 300 Horses; but at the End of the first Day's March, receiving Advice of the Defeat of 600 Miquelets by a Party of King Philip's Army, and a Moment after a false Account that the Archduke had been surpriz'd and taken, he return'd to Valencia as fast as his Horse could carry him, follow'd by his Party upon a full Trot.

From the Antwerp Courant, dated May 4.

Madrid, April 14. 'Tis advis'd from Cadix the 7th of this Month, that the Enemy's Squadron commanded by Sir John Leake had lain about Cape Sparrel 12 Days, the contrary Wind having hindered them from passing the Strait.

From the Amsterdam Courant, dated May 4.

Amsterdam, May 3. We have a Report here, that Commodore Price with 6 English and 6 Dutch Ships of War, having join'd Sir John Leake's Squadron, they all pass'd the Straits the 9th or 10th of April; But we expect a more certain Account.

From the Amsterdam Courant, dated May 4.

Vienna, April 21. Yesterday Count Wratisslaw, Mr. Stepney, and M. Til one of the Emperor's Councillors of War, set out from hence for Tiranau; and will as soon as possible acquaint the Bishop of Osnabrug and the other Commissioners that are appointed to treat of the Accommodation, whether

they find the Hungarian Malecontents in such a Disposition to treat, as may encourage them the said Commissioners to follow.

Hague, May 4. The Day of the Duke of Marlborough's Departure from hence is not yet fix'd: But his Baggage and Servants that attend it, are order'd to set forward to Morrow by Water for Bol-duc, in Order to go with the English Troops towards Maestricht. Admiral Allemonde is order'd to repair on board Thursday Night or Friday Morning next, and immediately to put to Sea with the Squadron he is appointed to command: He will not stop at England, his Orders being to make the best of his Way to Lisbon. The freshest Advices from Paris are, That the Duke of Anjou's Army before Barcelona, has enough to do to defend it self from the Miquelets of the open Country and the Besieged who make Sallies continually, in one of which they intirely defeated the Regiment of Maine. Provisions were very scarce and excessive dear in their Camp the 18th of April. Prince Eugene of Savoy is arriv'd at Salo with a strong Body of Forces, to oppose the Duke of Vendome. The Duke of Berwick having with him but a handful of Spaniards, and mistrusting them too, is retir'd far back into Castile.

Falmouth, April 22. Last Night arriv'd the Alliance Pacquet-Boat from Lisbon; the Captain reports that the Day he came out of the Tagus, the Forces from Ireland sail'd with their Convoy to join Sir J. Leake: And that he met 2 of Sir Geo. Bing's Squadron near Lisbon, which inform'd him Sir George with the rest was sail'd directly for the Streights.

Portsmouth, April 24. This Morning Sir Stafford Fairborne sail'd from Spithead for St. Hellens in Her Majesty's Ship the Eagle, with 8 other Men of War. We have now at Spithead only the Gosport and Winchester Men of War.

Harwich, April 25. This Morning sail'd 3 Packet-Boats with 4 Mails for Holland, and a great many Officers and Recruits for Flanders.

At the Desire of several Persons of Quality.

AT the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, this present Saturday being, the 27th of April, will be reviv'd a Play, call'd, The 2d Part of the Conquest of Granada, with the Loves of Almanzor and Almahide. With Entertainments of Dancing by Monsieur du Ruel, Mrs. du Ruel, Monsieur Cherrier and Miss Santlow his Scholar. And the famous Signiora Margarita de l'Epine will perform several Entertainments of Singing in Italian and English, particularly an English Cantata written and compos'd after the Italian manner, this being the last time but one of her Singing this Season.

Mr. Johnson Surgeon, is Remov'd from his late Dwelling-House in Sheer-Lane, to the Sign of the Surgeon's-Arms in Clare-street near Clare-Market.

Lost Yesterday being the 26th Instant, in Bunhill-fields or thereabouts, a red Letter Case with 2 brass Claps and tied round with a Piece of Packthread, in which were 4 Notes to the Value of 55 l. 14 s. with 2 accomptable Bank Notes for 262 l. 15 s. 10d. of which all was paid only 2 Bills one on Mr. Smith for 10 l. and the other on Mr. Thomas Dyke for 10 l. with several other Papers of no Use but to the Owner. Whoever gives Notice of them so as they may be had again at the Star Coffee-house over against the Royal Exchange in Cornhill, shall have 10 s. Reward. Payment being stop'd they are of no Use but to the Owner.

Whereas Mr. Geo. Psalmanazaar of Formosa has been by some much detam'd of late by divers Reports spread abroad to his prejudice, these are to desire all that have any real scruple at, or fair Objection against him or his Book, or any part thereof, to send the same Frank'd to Bernard Lintott at the Cross-keys and Crown next Nando's Coffee-house by Temple-Bar any time before the first day of August, 1706. A Defence of him and his Book being preparing for the Press against that time: After the Publication of which, it is hop'd the World will take all Reports against him to be false and slanderous.

A Catalogue of valuable Books in several Faculties, which are most of 'em finely bound, and gilt back. To be sold by Auction at Fellow's Coffee-house, against the Half-moon Tavern in Aldersgate-street, beginning on Wednesday the 1st of May, 1706. at Five in the Afternoon, and to continue till all be sold. Catalogues may be had at Mr. Bell's at the Cross-keys and Bible in Cornhill, Mr. Midwinter's in St. Paul's Church-yard, Mr. Lintott's in Fleet-street, Mr. Barnes in the Pellmell, and at the Place of Sale. The Books may be view'd two Days before.

Stimulus Compunctionis; or, Motives to Repentance. Being a short Summary of the most Powerful Arguments in the Christian Religion, propos'd in the Person of Jesus Christ, earnestly Exhorting the Sinner to Repent after the most moving and pathetic manner, and suited to the meanest Capacities. Publish'd by a Clergyman. Perus'd and Approv'd by some of the most Eminent Divines of the Church of England. Printed for Eben. Treadwell at the Three Bibles on London-bridge. Price bound 1 s.